

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An optical pickup device, comprises light sources to emit a first light flux having a wavelength λ_1 ($380 \text{ nm} < \lambda_1 < 450 \text{ nm}$); a second light flux having a wavelength λ_2 ($600 \text{ nm} < \lambda_2 < 700 \text{ nm}$); and a light-converging optical system. The light-converging optical system converges the first light flux on a first optical information recording medium through a protective layer having a thickness t_1 and the light-converging optical system converges the second light flux on a second optical information recording medium through a protective layer having a thickness t_2 . The light-converging optical system forms a first spot on the information recording surface of the first optical information recording medium by using N-th order diffracted light ray generated, and the light-converging optical system forms a second spot on the information recording surface of the second optical information recording medium by using M-th order ($M \neq N$) diffracted light ray generated.